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SUBJECT: VISIT OF BISHOP LEISKE AND AMERICAN RELIGIOUS TOWN  
HALL GROUP

REF: STATE 31623 ( NOTAL)

1. MINISTER RECIEIVED ON FEBRUARY 28 LETTER FROM  
BISHOP A.A. LEISKE, DATED FEBRUARY 24 IN WHICH  
LATTER ANNOUNCED VISIT TO BERLIN BY DELEGATION OF  
AMERICAN RELIGIOUS TOWN HALL MEETING ON MARCH 18 AND 19  
( WE HAD ALREADY BEEN ALERTED TO VISIT BY REFTEL).  
BISHOP LEISKE ASKED THAT MISSION MAKE APPROPRIATE  
ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIS GROUP FOR MARCH 19 AND CONTACT  
HIM AT HIS BERLIN HOTEL, SYLTER HOF, ON AFTERNOON  
OF MARCH 18. ( FYI: HOTEL SYLTER HOF HAS NO RESER-  
VATIONS UNDER NAME OF LEISKE OR AMERICAN RELIGIOUS  
TOWN HALL MEETING FOR PERIOD MARCH 18-20. END FYI.)

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2. SINCE IT IS POSSIBLE THAT MINISTER'S REPLY , WHICH  
SENT MARCH 2, WILL NOT ARRIVE PRIOR TO GROUP'S DE-  
PARTURE FOR ROME ( PRESUMABLY MARCH 9 OR 10),  
REQUEST EUR/CE TELEPHONE BISHOP LEISKE ( AREA CODE  
214, 328-9828) AND READ HIM TEXT OF MINISTER'S LETTER  
WHICH FOLLOWS:  
QTE DEAR BISHOP LEISKE,

THAN YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF FEBRUARY 24 INFORMING  
ME THAT YOU AND A GROUP FROM THE AMERICAN RELIGIOUS  
TOWN HALL MEETING WILL BE VISITING BERLIN ON  
MARCH 18 AND 19.

WE HAVE ASKED THE SENAT OF BERLIN, THE EXECUTIVE  
BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT IN THIS CITY-STATE, WHETEHR IT  
MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR MEMBERS OF YOUR DELEGATION TO CALL ON  
THE GOVERNING MAYOR, KLAUS SCHUETZ, SOMETIME ON  
SATURDAY, MARCH 19. WE WILL PROBABLY NOT HAVE THE  
SENAT'S RESPONSE PRIOR TO YOUR DEPARTURE FROM THE  
UNITED STATES, BUT ONE OF OUR OFFICERS, MR. LANDFAIR,  
WILL TELEPHONE YOU AT THE HOTEL SYLTER HOF ON THE  
AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY, MARCH 18 TO GIVE YOU THIS  
INFORMATION.

SINCE BERLIN IS STILL AN OCCUPIED CITY UNDER THE  
CONTROL OF THE WARTIME ALLIES, THE THREE ALLIED  
COMMANDANTS ARE SOVEREIGN IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN. WE  
WOULD BE PREPARED TO OFFER YOU AND YOUR DELEGATION  
A BRIEFING AT U.S. HEADQUARTERS ON THE ROLE OF THE  
UNITED STATES IN BERLIN AT 9:00A.M. ON SATURDAY,  
MARCH 19. THIS BRIEFING WHICH WOULD LAST APPROXIMATELY  
ONE HOUR, WOULD NOT CONFLICT WITH A CALL ON THE  
GOVERNING MAYOR SHOULD WE BE SUCCESSFUL IN ARRANGING  
ONE. IN ADDITION, OUR PRESS OFFICER WILL ISSUE A  
PRESS ADVISORY ON THE VISIT OF YOUR GROUP TO BERLIN,  
BUT HE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE OTHER ASSISTANCE  
WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESS.

SINCERELY,  
SCOTT GEORGE  
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AMERICAN MINISTER UNQTE

3. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF EUR/CE CLULD ASCERTAIN  
SIZE OF GROUP AND WHETHER THERE ARE ANY CHANGES IN ITINERARY.  
GEORGE

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